

on March 10, 1978, SRP located the names of five "Birdsong" in the Saint Louis, MO, telephone directory, and wrote them a letter of inquiry about the Birdsong (Lura Squire married George Birdsong). All were mailed the same letter -- a copy of the letter that was sent to Robert H. Birdsong, 1204 Lakeview Avenue, Saint Louis, MO, is shown on p. 3246. This letter is #1722 in SRP's file (see Appendix IV, herein).

Robert Birdsong^{5744 Chamberlain, St. Louis, MO 63112} replied on 03-21-1978, as follows: "I was born in Tenn. Oakland the town. June 2, 1907 Westley Birdsong Lettie Cleaves. Both my parents were born in Oakland Tenn. about 1880 I can't be sure about the exact date. & I do remember my father speaking of a George Birdsong. & as far as the other Birdsongs in the St. Louis telephone directory I am not acquainted. & Sincerely, Robert Birdsong."